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In re Patent Application of:)	Confirmation No.: 1187
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Serial No.: 10/579,238)	Group Art Unit: 3742
Filed: May 12, 2006)	
For: LASER IRRADIATION APPARATUS)	
AND LASER IRRADIATION METHOD)	

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 2, 2009, please consider the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.